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ACTIVITY

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2003, Applicants elect Example 59, Table 1, page 270 as the species election. Claims 1-10, and 14-28 are readable thereon. However, Applicants understand this requirement for election of species is for initial examination purposes only, in accordance with MPEP §803.02, and not a requirement to restrict the scope of the generic and subgeneric claims of this application to such species. If the Office Action is a requirement to restrict the scope of the generic and subgeneric claims to the elected species, Applicants traverse this requirement. Such a requirement would be improper for the reasons stated in MPEP §803.02, first paragraph.

The application is now believed to be in condition for examination and notification thereof is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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